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What is awaiting numismatics in 1983? Read all about it in the January 1983 issue of TNA NEWS.

1st REMEMBER The of January is the deadline for the February issue

LLOYD C. COLVIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR! to all TNA members from Margaret Ann and me

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It's time again to issue the call for nominations for TNA officers to serve during 1983-85.

Officer positions are president, 1st and 2nd vice presidents, secretary, treasurer and district governors. All nominations must reach the TNA secretary by Jan. 15, 1983. Nominations shall be in writing accompanied by an acceptance and a short autobiography of the nominee, along with a photo if possible. Nominations will be published in the February issue of TNA NEWS and ballots will be mailed within the first 10 days of March.

Any individual TNA member can send in a nomination for president, the two vice presidents, secretary and treasurer but only member clubs may nominate district governors. To be eligible for the office of district governor, the person must be a member of TNA and must reside in the district for which he seeks governorship.

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1982 is ending with lower inflation, lower interest rates and hopefully better times for all. That will mean less unemployment and nationwide business will be humming again.

Most of us have been able for years to purchase almost any item we wanted - from lobsters to luxurious autos and expensive coins. We have lived on an enebriated binge and in many cases all on credit. Now Peter is at Paul's door and restraint is a must as we place our house back in order.

All this has affected the coin market and in turn the numismatic hobby. It will take all of us to bring our country back - so let's roll up our sleeves and start working together, not only for our country but for the hobby and TNA as well. As we approach 1983, let's think positive and hope for the best!

The first coin to depict a motorcycle race was issued by the Isle of Man. During 1981, the Isle of Man also struck 20 commemorative silver coinages.

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FROM THE OFFICIAL TNA FAMILY

SEVEN-SIDED COINAGE

Robert E. Greenwood,
Austin, Tx.

Mathematicians call a seven-side figure drawn in the plane a HEPTAGON. If all sides are of equal length and if all the interior angles are equal, then it is called a regular heptagon.

When Great Britain decided to adopt a decimal coinage system, the need for several new coins was recognized. In the old system 12 pence were equal to 1 shilling and 20 shillings were equal to 1 pound. Some authorities say the new decimal system became the official coinage in 1971, although several coins of the new types were minted in 1968 and 1969. In this new decimal system the most radical departure from older coins was the introduction in 1969 of a NEW PENCE coin struck on a 7 sided planchet or flan.

Strictly speaking these coins are not regular heptagons, for they have slightly curved sides. The seven-sided pattern, is certainly there, and this issue is the first known example of a 7-sided coinage. Perhaps the British authorities wished to emphasize that this was a NEW coinage. They went from a coinage system where 240 than a decade many mints began to drop the word NEW in noting the value of coins.

Guernsey, showing transfer from NEW PENCE (1969) to FIFTY PENCE (1981)

Many members of the British Commonwealth of Nations followed Great pence = 1 pound to a new decimal system where 100 NEW pence = 1

Republic of Seychelles coins, all 5 rupees

pound. Indeed, many of the first issues of this new coinage referred to the unit as a NEW PENNY (or NEW PENCE in the plural form). In less Britain's lead in using 7-sided coins. Most of these new coins were struck

Various sizes - Nicaragua, Barbados, Ghana and Mexico

in cupro-nickel alloy, and most of them were of the same size as the first British 50 NEW PENCE coin. And other countries not in the British Commonwealth have minted a few 7-sided coins. In the tabulation which follows no special comments are made about coins of the same metallic composition (cupro-nickel) and same size (approximately 30mm from one corner to each of the two corners three sides away) as the British proto-type. Departures from these norms may be noted.

Slightly more than a decade after switching to a decimal coinage, Great Britain has decided to add another coin, a 20 pence piece, to their coinage system. As of the end of June 1982, the Isle of Man and the Bailiwick of Jersey as well as Great Britain have all issued 20 pence coins, 7-sided, cupro-nickel alloy, much smaller than the 50 pence coins.

LISTING OF 7 SIDED COINS

BARBADOS, Y-5, 1 dollar, 1973—, 27mm in diameter (also thinner than the original 50 NEW PENCE coin).

FALKLAND ISLANDS, Y-14, 50 pence, 1980.

GHANA, Y-19, 1 cedi, 1979, brass.

GREAT BRITAIN, Y-144, 50 NEW PENCE, 1969— ; Y-146, 50 pence, 1973. Authorized June 1982, 20 pence.

GUERNSEY, Y-15, 50 NEW pence, 1969-1971. Y-23, 50 pence, 1979—

IRELAND, Y-23, 50 pence, 1970-1971, 1974-1979.

Isle of Man coins, two pence and one 20 pence, new denomination in 1982

ISLE OF MAN, Y-7, 50 NEW pence, 1971-1975. (A few pieces were struck in .925 silver, and 600 proof platinum pieces also exist. Similar statements can be made for most of the other Isle of Man types listed below. Also,

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THE STORY BEHIND THE COIN

Lee Grossman,
San Antonio, Tx.

TETRICUS I — ABDICATION SAVED HIS LIFE

Do you remember the story of Gallienus and the "Reign of the Thirty Tyrants"? History tells of almost twice that number of usurpers to the Roman crown. This is a story of only one of these men. Probably the luckiest of them all!

Caius Pius Esuvius Tetricus was governor of Aquitania in southwest France - a part of the Gallic Empire. Being from a senatorial family, he proved an able governor of a disintegrating empire.

In 270 A.D., Emperor Piavvonius Victorinus was murdered at Cologne by one of his own officers, and Tetricus was chosen to succeed to the throne. Victoria, the mother of Victorinus, was instrumental in the selection by using her influence.

Tetricus I became emperor at a bad time. The power of the Gallo-Roman Empire was declining rapidly. Although he had been a good governor of Aquitania, he was really controlled by his generals. Tetricus I did nothing to reverse the downward trend. To make matters worse, when Tetricus I ascended the throne, he gave his son, Tetricus II, the rank of Caesar.

In 273, Aurelian invaded Gaul. Tetricus I, a bland, unmilitary figure, who had reigned under the domination of his generals, was faced with internal revolt as well as the overwhelming strength of Aurelian's forces. Rather than perish in fruitless resistance, Tetricus I and his son outwitted and betrayed his generals by abdicating and surrendering the Gallic Empire to Aurelian, which brought the empire to an end without a heated battle.

Due to this action, Aurelian spared the lives of Tetricus I and his son. In fact, since Tetricus I had been governor of Aquitania as well as emperor of the Roman Empire, Aurelian gave Tetricus I a post as governor of Lucania. Thus, Tetricus I became the only emperor of the Gallo-Roman Empire to die a natural death. His son returned to his home and became a private citizen.

Strangely enough, Tetricus I was honored by Aurelian and his successors for many years, until his death in Rome. Both Tetricus I and his son were considered members of a group known as the "Thirty Tyrants." Many of those usurpers were chosen emperor by their own troops. In turn, almost all of them were murdered by their own men.

A gold auresis was struck by Tetricus I. It is considerd rare and very expensive. Some have sold for $15,000 in VF condition. The bronze or copper antomanus was struck in plentiful quantity, and sell for $12.50 to $50. An orichalcum (white metal) denarius was also struck and is scarce, selling for $300 to $450 in VF condition. It is believed that the coinage was struck at the Vienna mint.

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"ROMAN COINS AND THEIR VALUES" - By David R. Sear (Seaby)

COIN PHOTOGRAPHY - Conclusion

Colin Tuttle,
Oklahoma City, Okla

Now, over a two-month period, you have been given a good foundation on how to take coin photos. The easiest, and most inexpensive ways have been explained.

Some tips for good photos will now be discussed. To begin with, keep your set-up as simple as possible. If you have a problem go to the root of it to solve it, rather than adding something to mask it. For example, if you have a glare problem, re-adjust your lights so they hit the coin from a little different angle. Don't go for the mask of a polarizing filter, as it is of no use in coin photography. Polarizing filters do eliminate glare, but not on metallic objects. It was designed to work only on glass or water.

Concentrate on getting a good clear image of the coin on film. Create the special effects in the darkroom. Try to get a good, even-lighted photograph on the negative, and then when you are printing the picture, you can either dodge, or accentuate areas on the print. Also, in the darkroom you can print the photo in any size you want - from actual size to as large as your enlarger will print. Finally, keep your backgrounds simple, so as not to distract from the coin.

As mentioned in earlier parts, when you begin to shoot in color, attention must be made as to at what color temperature the film is balanced. It will be noted on the film box whether the film is balanced at Tungsten or Daylight. Daylight is probably more common, in all purpose consumer film. So if you use a daylight film, such as Kodak's Kodacolor or Kodachrome (for slides), and you use a photo flood bulb, you will probably need to color correct.

Because daylight film is balanced at about 5000 K, and the lights which you will be using will probably be in the area of 3400 K, it will be necessary to raise the color temperature of the lights by using a filter.

A series 80 blue filter will raise the temperature, but, if you would prefer not to use a filter, you can get photoflood lights which have a higher color temperature.

Tungsten film, on the other hand, is already balanced for lower temperature flood lights, so a filter might not be necessary when using a tungsten film. Again, check the color temperature on the film box of the film you are going to use.

If your lights are of a higher temperature than your film, you can correct this by using an 80-A filter, which is a yellow colored filter.

When you shoot silver coins, you will learn your lessons about color temperature. I photographed some Mexican silver two peso coins, and when they were printed they came out a beautiful shade of gold. This was caused by using daylight film with tungsten balanced lights. I later corrected the problem, retaking the pictures, using a blue filter.

Another nice touch to use in photographing any coin which is unusually

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Let's Get Acquainted

Roy Wilson

It took two crushed vertebrae for one coin collector to take up a popular hobby.

Roy Wilson of Amarillo suffered the vertebrae crushing in 1966 while on one of his many jobs constructing AT&T towers. During the recuperation period he became interested in coins, especially silver dollars. He began trading the dollars for other silver coins and by that time, the numismatic bug had grabbed him.

Early in 1967, Roy joined the Amarillo Coin Club, was an active member and served as club secretary in 1969 before he moved to Missouri. While in Missouri, he drove 35 miles to attend their coin club meetings and never missed a meeting unless the weather was too bad to drive that far.

In June 1974, the Wilson family moved back to Amarillo and Roy again became active in club affairs and served as 2nd vice president in 1975. During that time, the club was attempting to build its membership roster, so Roy called every member every month to remind them of the meeting and went out of his way to talk people into becoming members. That was just the beginning of his services to the club. Throughout the years he served as 1st vice president in 1976, president for 1977-78, past president, 1979, and TNA representative in 1981 and 1982.

Roy has always helped with the club shows by serving as publicity or advertising chairman and the last two years as show chairman. He was always there to help set up and take down shows, and worked hard during the 1976 and 1979 TNA conventions held in Amarillo. No task is too menial or too time consuming for Roy - he accepts when needed and cheerfully sees it through. Roy is a valuable member to the Amarillo Coin Club.

Roy can boast he is related to the youngest member of the Amarillo club - he's Grandpa to little R. C. Tipton. Roy and wife Ann have two children: Ken in Oahu, Hawaii and Pam Tipton, R. C.'s mother.

Each month the Amarillo Coin Club Newsletter and the TNA NEWS are read thoroughly by Roy, keeping up with his coin interests.

Oh, yes, Roy still collects his first love - silver dollars.

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ANA News Roundup

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All it takes is a self-addressed stamped envelope and you will be sent a copy of a privately issued one dollar merchants note distributed in Tucson, Arizona Territory in the late 1870s by early American merchants and bankers, Lord and Williams. The reverse of the reproduction promotes ANA's next convention, the 1983 Midwinter show in Tucson, Feb. 24-27. For your copy, address a request to ANA Headquarters, Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 809-1-2366. Be sure your legal-size, self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed.

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Beginning in January 1983, ANA dues will be going up. Regular membership will be going from $15.00 to $18.00 per year. Current members may pay their 1983 dues at the 1982 rate if remitted prior to the end of this year.

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Promotional materials are now available for National Coin Week which will be the week of April 17-23, 1983. ANA is making promotional packets available by request only for the observance of NCW 1983. The theme, "Exploring Our Proud Heritage," is illustrated by much of the material contained in the promotional packets. Requests for the promotional material should be submitted to National Coin Week 1983, Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, no later than Jan. 15, 1983. START YOUR PLANS NOW FOR NATIONAL COIN WEEK '83!!

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4282 (D-9) Oscar Palmer, Box 152, Levelland, Tx. 79336. U.S. coins. D. O. Joplin

J-4283 (D-6) Miss Lisa A. Breazeale, Rt. 3 Box 339, Willis, TX 77378. Animals on coins. Chris Johns.

J-4284 (D-6) Miss Angela M. Breazeale, Rt. 3 Box 339, Willis, TX. 77378. Flowers and plants on coins. Chris Johns.

4285 (D-16) H. A. Luther, 614 Welsh Ave., College Station, TX. 77840. General U.S. John Huntley

4286 (D-7) Phil Trovato, 1718 W. Lawndale #321, San Antonio, TX. 78209. Morgan dollars. E. L. Bills. Tex. Coin Club.

4287 Philip B. Smith, 9817 E. 37th Court, S. Tulsa, OK. 74145. Nela Runkle.

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3344 (D-6) C. C. Clayton, Box 87131, Houston, TX. 77287. Gerald Kendall

VIP AWARD

Mrs. Chris Johns - Houston, TX

British Royal Mint Announces New Falklands Islands Crown

The British Royal Mint has announced that it has been commissioned by the Falklands Islands Legislative Council to strike a special "LIBERATION CROWN" to mark the eviction of the Argentine invasion force by British Forces in June 1982. The crown piece will be struck as a limited edition of 25,000 in sterling proof condition, while a cupro-nickel version in brilliant uncirculated condition will be struck without a mintage limit.

The coin's reverse depicts the Falkland Islands coat of arms superimposed upon the Union Jack with the inscription, "Liberation - 14th June 1982." The obverse bears a portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, which is common to nearly all United Kingdom coins since 1968. The new crown bears its value "50 pence" directly below the Queen's portrait.

The coin has a diameter of 38.61mm and weighs 28.28 gms. In silver proof condition. The coin will be available singly, priced $45.00 (U.S.) and $56.00 (CAN). For more information write to the British Royal Mint, % Barclays Bank, Box 2570, New York, NY 10163.

from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Stanford M. Kennady

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Balance on hand as of September 30, 1982			7,294.09
RECEIPTS			
TNA Dues		325.00	
TNA NEWS Ads		284.00	
Sale of lapel pins		210.50	
Sale of 1982 Medals		127.50	
Interest earned		28.81	975.81
			8,269.90
DISBURSEMENTS			
TNA Secretary - September payment		150.00	
TNA NEWS Editor - October travel allowance and September petty cash		247.93	
Central Forwarding, Inc. - case handling		11.02	
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Miscellaneous Printing	384.41		
Numismatics International - 1983 Dues		10.00	
American Numismatic Association - set of counterfeit detection reports		105.00	2,177.86
Balance on hand as of October 31, 1982			6,092.04
* Operating Funds			5,986.15 *
* Encumbered Funds			105.89 *

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TNA Memorial Library Fund as of October 31, 1982	105.89
TNA NEWS Certificate of Deposit as of October 31, 1982	4,142.31
Certificate of Deposit as of October 31, 1982	1,683.73
Life Membership Savings Certificate as of October 31, 1982	5,009.42
TOTAL ASSETS	16,927.50

EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY 28-30

GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB, 26th annual MONEY SHOW, Adam's Mark Hotel. WRITE: GHCC, Box 2963, Houston 77001

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FEBRUARY 19-20

FORT WORTH MID-SEASON COIN & STAMP SHOW, Green Oaks Inn, 6901 West Freeway. WRITE: Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118

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MARCH 5-6

GATEWAY COIN CLUB, San Antonio, annual show, Roadrunner Recreation Center, Fort Sam Houston

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MARCH 19-20

SOUTH PLAINS COIN CEUB, annual show, Civic Center, Lubbock.

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MARCH 24-27

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, Sincon XIII, Airport Park Hotel Ingelwood, Calif. WRITE: Box 943, Santa Monica, Calif 90406

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APRIL 9-10

MIDLAND COIN CLUB & TEX COIN CLUB, coin show, Midland Center, 105 N Main. WRITE: E. L. "Bob" Bills, Box 4, Ponotoc 76869

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APRIL 15-17

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN CONVENTION, Corpus Christi. Billy Tate, General Chairman. BOURSE: John Lace, Box 8593, Corpus Christi 78412

MAY 14-15

OKLAHOMA NUMISMATIC ASSN, 7th annual convention, Lincoln Plaza Forum, Oklahoma City. BOURSE: Wilbert's World Coins, Box 10983, Midwest City, Okla. 73140

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JUNE 25-26

GREATER ORANGE COIN CLUB, annual show, Orange House Inn

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AUGUST 4-7

SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, Sincon XIII, Airport Park Hotel, Inglewood, Calif. WRITE: Box 943, Santa Monica, Calif. 90406

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SEPTEMBER 17-18

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual Money Mart, Quality Inn South. WRITE: Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767

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FUTURE TNA CONVENTIONS

1984 - May 4-6, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, Amarillo

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1985 - April 16-20, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, El Paso

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1986 - TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN CONVENTION, Ft. Worth.

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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I -

Morris Johnson
Governor

Members of **Stephenville Coin Club** discussed the possibility of sponsoring a coin show in the near future at the two September meetings held at Red Bandana Steak House. Billy Masters, club president, was to investigate and notify the members.

Auctions were held during both meetings. - **Lorene Randals, Sec**

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DISTRICT II -

August H. Ganze Jr
Governor

Odessa Coin Club is now meeting the second Thursday of each month in Ector County Library.

The October meeting was attended by 14 members and a discussion was held on the possibility of holding joint meetings with neighbor clubs in Midland and Ft Stockton.

Efforts are still being made to interest the younger collectors as junior activities are not being developed in the area as they should be. - **August H. Ganze, Dist. 2 Gov**

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The October meeting of **Midland Coin Club** featured the ANA slide program on world crowns. Efforts are being made to attract more active members.

Plans are being conducted for the show to be held April 9-10 at Midland Center joined by **Tex Coin Club**. This will be the first show in Midland in a number of years and the club hopes to revitalize the hobby in the area. Meetings are held each third Thursday at Midland College. - **August H. Ganze, Dist. 2 Gov**

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DISTRICT III -

Key City Coin Club of Abilene met in October at United Savings Bldg. The meeeting was opened with a door prize drawing won by Frances Thornton. Fourteen members and three guests were present.

Bob Bills, representing the **Tex Coin Club**, spoke on the upcoming coin show on Nov. 6-7 at Royal Inn. The club will co-host the show with the Tex Club.

A nominating committee was appointed to select new officers for 1983. Installation will take place at the December meeting. After a short recess the auction was held. - **Frances Thornton, Sec**

DISTRICT V -

Barney Welch
Governor

Numismatics International of Dallas announced that at the N Y I N C it will be sponsoring an educational forum. The show will be at the Sheraton Exhibition Centre Hotel. Featured speakers will be Simon Bendall discussing Byzantine coinage, and Thomas Day who will speak on "Monaco's History Through Its Numismatic Heritage." Russ Rulau will moderate.

Taking part at the November NICE at Dunfey Dallas Hotel were the Society of Ancient Numismatics and the International Banknote Society. - **Stuart T. Eisen, Publicity**

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Frank Clark presented a slide program on "Small Size National Currency Issued From Dallas Banks" at the October meeting of **Garland Coin Club**. He showed $5, $10 and $20 notes on various banks that issued national currency notes beginning in 1929 and ending in 1935. Seven banks issued notes and only four are still in operation today.

George Johnson announced details concerning the three-day seminar on "Rare Coin Grading and Authenticating" to be held in Dallas at S M U. on Jan. 7-9, 1983.

Alfred Bromberg won the door prize and Barney Welch conducted the auction. - **Lucretia Johnson, Sec.**

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Nominations for 1983 officers to serve **Dallas Coin Club** include A. L. Chinkinbeard, president, Robert L. Johnston, vice president, and Frank Clark, secretary-treasurer.

"Coins of Different Countries" was discussed by Ernest Hackney. He displayed coins from Egypt, Taiwan, Greece, Italy, France, Thailand, Singapore and many others.

Gertrud Welch won the door prize. - **Frank Clark, Sec.**

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DISTRICT VI -

Al Loja
Governor

At the October meeting of **Greater Houston Coin Club**, special agents Diaz and Capasso were to discuss the organization of the Secret Service and the detection of counterfeit currency. Gerald Kendall is program chairman.

At the September meeting, door prize winners were Al Loja and Charles Brundle. - **Club Bulletin**

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Fred Baker presented a program on "Five Cent Money of the U.S." at the October meeting of **Bellaire Coin Club**. Winning door prizes were Gifford Rich and Carl Kaleschke.

For the Nov. 1 meeting, plans call for a program, a short auction and a games session. On Nov. 15, the meeting was to be devoted to necessary club business followed by an auction. - **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VII

Frank Galindo
Governor

Gateway Coin Club of San Antonio will host the annual coin show Mar 5-6 at Roadrunner Recreation Center, Ft Sam Houston. Edd O'Connor will be in charge of arrangements assisted by Fred England and Chris Ortiz, bourse, Frank and Karla Galindo, exhibits Tom Walker, publicity and special events. February 15 is the deadline fro reserving tables through England or Ortiz, Box 21396, San Antonio 78221

Vincent Grubb was named to serve as Board member as Ortiz will be assuming the treasurer's position. England, longtime club treasurer, will be moving from the city in a short time

A coin grading committee was appointed to include Tom Walker, Vincent Grubb and Edd O'Connor

Tom Walker gave the program on the approach to building a numismatic library and gave book sizes, conditions and sample abbreviations.

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A dinner meeting held Oct 14 at Wyatt's Cafeteria was enjoyed by members of **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio. Main order of business discussed was locating a new meeting place beginning in January

Lee Grossman gave a program on Cuba's Jose Marti who had been honored on a coin for his fight against Spain before the Spanish-American War

At the Oct 26 meeting held at First Federal Bldg., Grossman conducted a numismatic quiz won by Jose Ortiz, junior member - **Club Bulletin**

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DISTRICT VIII -

Joe B Davis
Governor

Corpus Christi Coin Club met Oct 5 and heard reports on the 1983 INA convention by Billy Tate, general chairman, Ross Barrera and Ouida Davis. Floyd Bienek presented a program on "Our Lady of Czesctohowa" - the Black Madonna of Poland. A replica of the picture of the Black Madonna can be seen at a church near Seguin on Hiway 123

On Oct. 19, David Burke gave a program on the Charlotte Mint. The mint was established in 1839 for the purpose of converting gold dust and bullion into U.S. gold coins. Fewer than a half dozen of the 1856C gold dollars were struck at Charlotte and are considered some of the rarest of U.S. gold coins. - **Club Bulletin**

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Members of **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi are planning the annual installation banquet on Dec. 7 at Chung Mei Restaurant. John Allen, Glen Hurrell and Alonso were appointed to the nominating committee to select new officers.

David Magnuson presented a program on gold and silver bullion investment. He traced his steps in becoming a collector from Minnesota where he worked with junk metal to the bullion

market on the Gulf Coast where many treasures are still hidden in the sands of Padre Island - **Club Bulletin**

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DISTRICT IX -

D O Joplin
Governor

Thirty attended the October meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock when Kirk McEnaney spoke on precious metals and investments.

Ed Chauncey was appointed bourse chairman for the coin show coming up on Mar 19-20, and Floyd Wilson will be in charge of security D O Joplin is general chairman Tom O'Donnel was appointed to work out details for the annual Christmas party Norman Shaw was welcomed as a new member and Hansen Ling won the door prize. - **D O. Joplin, Dist. 9 Gov**

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The annual Christmas party and Boys Club benefit auction sponsored by **Levelland Coin Club** will be held Dec. 21 at the Spot Restaurant

D. O Joplin will be contacting various ones for auction donations. - **D O. Joplin, Dist. 9 Gov**

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Dr J H. Oyer gave a short talk on some of his experiences during medical school and his internship as well as during his practice at the October meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield

D O Joplin strongly commented on the lack of participation of club members on ticket sales and he also asked for TNA officer nominations with none being presented Dr Oyer won the door prize - **D O Joplin, Dist. 9 Gov**

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DISTRICT XI -

Nela Runkle
Governor

The **Amarillo Coin Club** met Oct 4 at First National Bank. Linda Runkle presented a slide program from the TNA Memorial Library on "Odd Shaped Coins of the 20th Century."

Exhibit winners at the fall coin show were Jim Jordan, best in show and 1st place in coins, 2nd place, Dr Charles Seward Placing first in paper money was Dennis Hickey and 1st place in special was Dave Cervin. Homer Dotts, 2nd R. C Tipton won 1st place in the junior category

Prize winners at the meeting were Jerry Adams, Nela Runkle, Cory Cluck, Linda Runkle and Ann Wilson. - **Nela Runkle, Dist. 11 Gov**

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DISTRICT XIII -

Joe W Haynes and Jackie Pemberton II were guests at the October meeting of **Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club** when the report from the nominating committee was read Candidates are Thomas Eggleston, vice president, Paulme Copelin, secretary, and Nancy Lemmond, treasurer The office of president was open.

Jack Pemberton presented a program on "Touch the Past" - a White's Electronics production showing the many aspects of treasure hunting

techniques. Different metal detectors were demonstrated.

President James Talley announced the annual Christmas banquet would be at Underwood's Cafeteria on Dec. 16. - **Rebecca Pemberton, Sec.**

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DISTRICT XV -

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

Dec. 16 is the date selected by members of **Greater Orange Coin Club** for the annual Christmas party and a nominating committee composed of Doug Hales, Dewey Scott and George May was appointed at the club's October meeting.

Doug Hales spoke on the Denver Mint which he had recently visited. He said that currently the mint's annual production is over 6 million coins. The entire coin production is distributed through the Federal Reserve Banks in accordance with shipping orders from the Bureau of the Mint in Washington, D.C.

Door prize winners were Mary Mires, G.B. Ladd, James Casey and Clyde McKee. - **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

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Members of **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** were invited to join with **Beaumont Coin Club** members for the annual auction in November and plans were made for the Christmas party with Linda Dowden, Elizabeth Howell and Lisa Stein in charge of arrangements.

Bill Stein gave a program on "The Preservation of Coins." He stressed the importance of handling coins properly and pros and cons of various storage methods.

A report was made on the September coin show. Exhibiting were Bill and Lisa Stein, Glen and Linda Dowden, Jerry Williams and Buck Dowden. - **Club Bulletin**

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The 1983 coin show being planned by **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** will be held at the Ramada Inn, 3801 Hwy. 73 East (dates not given).

At the regular meeting Joe Scott gave a program on "Dating of Japanese Coins and Money." Joe concentrated on explaining the dating of coins of the last three emperors: Meiji, Taisho and Showa. The Japanese coins are signed with Kanji which indicates the emperor, year of reign and a sign for the word "year." To convert a Japanese date to an English date, one must determine the emperor, the year of his reign, and add this number to the year of his coronation. These coins also include signs that indicate value, country and usually some form of the chrysanthemum flower indicating it is Imperial Japanese money.

Door prize winners were Scott, Lisa Stein, George May and James Rodriguez. - **Club Bulletin**

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Col. Darrah was born in Fort Worth, attended Central High and NATC in Arlington before entering the military service. After 36 years in the National Guard and regular army, he retired at Ft. Sam Houston in 1963. His duties were many which carried him all over the world and when he left active duty, he returned to Ft. Worth with his family.

After retirement - with time on his hands - he became interested in numismatics and available to help the new collector, and promote club programs and coin shows. Col. Darrah also acted as general chairman of the 1973 TNA convention held in Ft. Worth.

Col. Darrah, known to his many friends as "Sparky," was a man who loved life and people. When he died, "Sparky" left a void in the lives of many who knew him throughout the years.

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The National Bank of Yugoslavia will issue gold and silver proof coins to commemorate the XIV Winter Olympic Games being held in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia in February of 1984. This marks the first time that a host country will issue a gold coin to commemorate the Winter Games.

The program which is entitled "The Official Yugoslavia Sarajevo, 1984 Winter Olympic Games Coin Program," will consist of 15 silver and three gold proof coins and is sponsored and endorsed by the Organizing Committee of the XIV Winter Games.

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SEVEN-SIDED COINAGE —
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several of the recent designs were struck in .917 fine gold.) Y-20, 50 pence, 1976-1978 Y20-1, 50 pence, 1979 Y-34, 50 pence, 1979 (Tynwald Millenium) Y-45, 50 pence, 1980 Y-47, 50 pence, 1980, (Christmas Issue also a different 1981 issue), Y-57, 50 pence, 1981, (Tourist Trophy, also a different 1982 issue.) The earlier issues were struck by the British Royal Mint, most of the later issues were struck by the Pobjoy Mint. Y-(number to be assigned), 20 pence, 1982, smaller flan than the British 50 pence issue 21 1/2mm diameter.

JERSEY (Bailiwick of Jersey), Y-33, 50 NEW Pence, 1969 Y-(number to be assigned), 20 pence, 1982, smaller flan than the 50 pence issue, 21 1/2mm. diameter, a few pieces struck in silver planned

JORDAN, Y-32, Half Dinar, 1980, 34mm. diameter.

MEXICO, Y-A90, 10 pesos, 1974—, 31 1/2mm diameter, thinner flan than the British 50 pence issue.

OMAN, (Sultanate of Oman), Y-17, 1/2 omani real, 1978.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, Y-13, 100 kina, 1978, .900 fine gold, 26 1/2 mm. diameter Y-15, 50 tola, 1980.

NICARAGUA, Y-37, Revolutionary Sandista Regime, struck by the Mexico Mint, 1980, 5 cordobas, 27mm. diameter.

SYCHELLES, Y-19, 5 rupees, 1972. Y-19a, 5 rupees, 1972 and 1974 struck in .925 fine silver proof. Y-27, 5 rupees, 1976. Y-27a, 5 rupees, 1976, struck in .925 silver proof Y-37, 5 rupees, 1977

SIERRA LEONE, Y-13, 2 leones, 1976

SOLOMON ISLANDS, Y-6, 1 dollar, 1977—

SRI LANKA (Ceylon), Y-8, 2 rupees, 1976

UGANDA, Y-8, 5 shillings, 1972 (Apparently this coin was withdrawn from circulation very shortly after being issued The author has listed it on many of his want lists and he has looked in vain for it at some large numismatic bourses.)

Seeing his first American football game, the Englishman watched one of the teams go into a huddle. "It's not a bad sport," he observed, "but they have too many committee meetings."

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My ad in the October issue should have read 225 (Two Hundred Twenty-Five) Auction Catalogs all with prices realized, plus 37 late catalogs with no prices realized

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COIN PHOTOGRAPHY —

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large or small, is to use a ruler in the picture to give some perspective. This is especially effective when used in a slide show coin talk.

A friend of mine made a special ruler that works especially well in photographs. It is made out of a flat clear sheet of plastic, with the measurements in millimeters, and in inches attached to it with stick-on letters.

Other than using colored paper for backgrounds, you can also make a light box by using a sheet of frosted glass making the top of the box, enclosing a lightbulb within the box. The light is then placed on a dimmer circuit, and can be dimmed (or brightened to get the desired effect. The major advantage of this light box is that when you use light as a background, it will make the coin stand out even more from the background than the elevated glass method discussed earlier.

One other type of lighting for coin photography is tent lighting, and for coin photography is very much worth experimenting with. Tent lighting involves placing a sheet of paper or fabric (white paper or fabric which will not allow a lot of light to pass through) around the lens of the camera, and around the coin, blocking out any direct light which would hit the coin.

Photoflood bulbs are then placed at about 3 o'clock and 9 o'clock from the coin, shining on the fabric which makes the tent. This provides a highly diffused shadowless light on the coin. If you do try this method, be careful not to place the lights too close to the fabric, as they put off a lot of heat, and could pose a fire hazard.

These three articles can by no means be expected to tell all about coin photography. It was designed to give the collector a background into the fundementals of coin photography, and to encourage experimentation. Many general photography books have sections on close-up photography, and should be of great help to those just beginning to experiment in coin photography. It is hoped that these articles demonstrate how easy and inexpensive it can be to photograph coins, and to encourage all collectors who have access to a camera to photograph some of their collections.

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Based on information obtained from the central banks, ministries of finance and mints throughout the world, 82 countries issued 258 coinages in 1981 and used 5,904,842 troy ounces of pure silver in the minting of the coins.

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If interested, please contact Dr. George Vogt. We are also interested in servicing your want list.

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Gold Coins Struck at The Philadelphia Mint between 1795 - 1834

We are particularly interested in the following:

QUARTER EAGLES

1796 No Stars
1797
1804 13 Stars
1806/5
1808
1826
1834 With Motto

HALF EAGLES

1795 Heraldic Eagle
1797 All Types
1798 Small Eagle
1810 Small Date, Small 5
1810 Large Date, Small 5
1815
1819 Both Types
1822
1825/4
1826
1827
1828 Both Types
1829 Both Types
1832 12 Stars

EAGLES

1795 9 Leaves
1797 Small Eagle
1798 Both Types
1804

Remember!

We will buy entire collections to obtain the pieces we need.

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